

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Eugenio A. Cefali	Examiner:	S.L. Channavajjala
Serial No.: 08/960,557	Group Art Unit No.:	1615
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For:

Methods for Treating Hyperlipidemia With Intermediate Release Nicotinic Acid Compositions
Having Unique Biopharmaceutical Characteristics

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on March 18, 2008, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration in light of the following amendments and remarks.

If any additional fees are incurred as a result of the filing of this paper, authorization is given to charge deposit account number 04-2223.

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